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## APPROVAL OF THE POTTER BEER MONITORING SYSTEM, MODEL SY-81-600

Brewers and others concerned:

Purpose. This circular is issued to inform you that a beer monitoring system, Model SY-81-600, manufactured by the Potter Aeronautical Corporation, Union, New Jersey, has been approved for use in breweries in conjunction with approved Potter Flow Meters. The system does not utilize a solenoid valve or other slow-flow cut-off device; however, it is equipped with a 30-hour auxiliary power supply and an independent power failure and flow rate recorder. This device is placed behind a security door and provides on a strip tape a permanent three-month record of operations. From such strip tape record, a determination can be made of the date and extent of a power failure and, also, within an accuracy of 5 percent, of a rate of flow which falls below the established system minimum.

A revenue procedure on this matter will be published soon in the Internal Revenue Bulletin.

Meters and monitoring systems previously approved. The following beer meters and monitoring systems have been previously approved for metering beer in breweries under 26 CFR Part 245.

1. Figure 486 Xacto Meter, and Figure 786 Xacto Meter, manufactured by Bowser, Inc., Ft. Wayne, Indiana.
2. Pittsburgh Equitable Meter, manufactured by Rockwell Manufacturing Co., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
3. Potter Flow Meter, equipped with Maximum Security System SY-81-4000, manufactured by the Potter Aeronautical Corporation, Union, New Jersey. (Rev. Proc. 58-22, C.B. 1958-2, 1140, as modified by Rev. Procs. 61-12, C.B. 1961-1, 899, and 65-7, C.B. 1965-1, 734.)
4. 2BL and 3BL Rotocycle Beer Meters, manufactured by Rockwell Manufacturing Co., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, equipped with either registers approved for piston-type meters or the Brodie Register, Series 22265.

(Rev. Proc. 60-30, C.B. 1960-2, 1008, as modified by Rev. Proc. 65-14, C.B. 1965-1, 825.)

5. Tamper-Proof Turbine Meter and Totalizer System manufactured by the Fischer and Porter Company, Warminster, Pennsylvania. (Rev. Proc. 64-2, C.B. 1964-1 (Part 1), 641.)
6. A. O. Smith Model SY-81 meter, equipped with Model 1537 Security System. (Rev. Proc. 65-30, C.B. 1965-2, 1024.)
7. Fischer and Porter Company Magnetic Meter Monitoring System SE #5264, manufactured by the Fischer and Porter Company, Warminster, Pennsylvania. (Rev. Proc. 66-9, C.B. 1966-1, 621.)
8. Fischer and Porter Company Magnetic Meter Monitoring System SE #5281, manufactured by the Fischer and Porter Company, Warminster, Pennsylvania. (Rev. Proc. 66-14, C.B. 1966-1, 628.)

Controls. On all electronic metering systems, the panels containing the totalizers, the means of setting adjustment factors, and the power failure and flow rate recorders are to be kept under separate lock or seal under Government control. The brewer will control all other operating controls.

Installation and test of meters. For testing brewers' meters, the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Division ordinarily has available only master meters having 2-inch flanged connections. Therefore, brewery meters must be so installed as to be readily tested by such 2-inch meters. Also, where brewery meters normally operate in excess of the maximum rate of flow for Government master meters (usually 90 to 100 gallons per minute) provisions must be made to test such brewery meters at a lesser rate of flow.

Effect on other documents. The new revenue procedure will supersede Revenue Procedure 66-14.

Inquiries. Inquiries regarding this industry circular should refer to its number and be addressed to the office of your Assistant Regional Commissioner, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax.

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